THE arrival of the Funkce on Friday last placed us in receipt of the two mails expected. That of November 1 arrived but a from lat. 25°, which lasted till she came into port few hours previous to her departure. The advices by her report no change in market quotations, unless it be an improvement in pulu, shipments of which, made by the Faulice, were closed at

From the East, we learn that the bark Oriental was nearly loaded for this port, and would sail early in November. Her cargo consists principally of coals. Freights were high both in New York and Boston, averaging about \$18 per ton-

Graso Morsments.-The Agent of the American Guano Company has been endeavoring to charter a vessel to take the place of the Silver Star, and load at Jarvis Island. Negotiations are pending for the Siam, but no contract has yet been closed. If she is secured, the brig Josephine will sail in a day or two for a cruise among the guano islands, touching at Jarvis, Phonix, M'Kean's, Howland's and Baker's Islands, and will probably be gone eight or ten weeks. We learn that the fine ship Osborne Howes, daily expected at San Francisco when the Yankee left, is under charter to load guano for the Phoenix Island Company. She would leave San Francisco by the 15th December, to touch at Honolulu.

In local trade we can only report a general dollness. Jobbers have experienced a marked falling off in country orders from the other islands, particularly from Hawall. The greatly reduced erop of coffee has had some effect in producing this result on that island, but there are other causes existing no doubt. Since the departure of the whaling fleet, the demand for coffer has fallen off considerably, and we can only report it dull at 20c. Ricz-The rice imported from Japan by the schooler Alert has changed hands at about Sc. It was a small lot only, and we believe it is the first sample of Japanese rice brought here. Those who have fried it, find it a very good article, nearly equal,

TEA-A sale of choice Oolong, ex Yankes, is reported at 32 fc. Scoan-The supply in market is not large. Most of the plantations commence grinding during this and the following month, and by the first of February the crops will be coming in freely. The weather on the other islands has been very favorable to the growing cane, and the yield promises to be abundant, and the quality superior. The market is nearly bare of sugar, and prices nominal.

when well cleaned, to Carolina.

Excussor-Whalers' bills and private drafts on San Francisco pur. Bank exchange, 3 per cent, premium. SCHOONER SALE .- The schooner Jeannette was sold at auction on Saturday last, for \$415, and was bought by the Malike Sugar Plantation.

More Varies on Januaries Corns.-The following statement giving the result of the assay of Japanese coins at the United States branch mint established at Philadelphia, in presence of readers just now when attention is directed to Japan. The Assny was proposed by the Ambassadors, with a view of settling the sexed question of currency, and now that the exact composition of the standard coin is known, it is probable that the to recruit at these islands. relative value of United States and Japanese coin will be established, and, possibly, an interchange of the two be allowed : THE COESS OF JAPAN.-The coins are of gold, silver, brass, copper and iron. The principal gold coin is the cobing, of which we have three sizes, according to the changes which have been made within the post sixty years. This coin is of oval shape, very thin, soft, and easily bent; it is largely alloyed with silver, but the silver being taken out of the surface by a solvent, the coin looks like fine gold, until it has been a good deal worn.

This accounts for the very pale color of the first specimen, and of her, in which we have scratched off part of the surface to show the true color.

No. I is a cobang, supposed to be about sixty years old. It weighs 201; grains; it is two-thirds gold, one-third silver; or, as we express by thousandths, it is 667 thousands fine. Its

value, including the silver, is \$5.95.

No. 2 cobang, coined within a few years past, weighs 174 grains. It is four-sevenths gold, and three-sevenths silver, very nearly; the exact fineness in thousandths being 568. The Nos. 2 and 4, cobangs, of very recent date; brought by the Embassy for assay. They are exactly alike, except one small mark. The weight is 1384 grains. Their fineness is about 571 thousandths, which is precisely four-sevenths, and appears to be the definite legal standard. The value, including the silver, is \$3.57; without the silver, \$3.41.

Nos. 5 and 6, two small rectangular coins, with a gold surface, which (by specific gravity) are about one-third gold. The weight is 254 grains. Their name and place in the series are No. 7, rectangular coin, is half the weight of the cobang No. 2, but (by specific gravity) contains little more than one-fourth the remainder appears to be silver. The piece, also, is No. 8, also rectangular, called the gold itrebu, is one-fourth readily supplied.

the weight of Cobang No. 2, and of the same fineness, very Nos. 9 and 10, are the new gold itsebu, brought by the Embassy for away, and are one-fourth of the cobang brought by them. Value, 894 cents. All the silver coins are rectangular, and rather thick, No. 11, an old half ifrequ, silver, is one of the several pieces which were given to an officer of the U.S. Exploring Expedi-

tion, about the year 1840, by some Japanese sailors, who had drifted far out into the Pacific Ocean, and were picked up and taken care of. Afterwards, by the wreck of one our vessels, all the coms were last except this one. It was our first specimen of Japanese coin. The weight is 41 grains, and, being near fine silver, is a little over 11 cents.

No. 12 is a silver itz-bu, coined some years since, weighing 134; grains, 988 to 990 thousandths fine, and worth 36-9 cents.

(Some specimens are fully 37.)

No. 13 weighs 28‡ grains, and appears also to be nearly fine ;
value about S cents. Name not known. No. 14, a new sliver itzebu, brought by the Embassy, (cut for assay.) It weighs the same as the old itzebu, 134½ grains, but is 890 thousandths fine, which is near our standard, (900). Value, 33 28 cents.

These last-silver itzebues-are probably the same coins of which a large number were left here in Honolulu by the Embassy

NEW BEDFORD OIL MARKET-Nov. 5. Spenis-During the past week the market for sperm has been

very quiet, and the only sales are 21 bris at \$1 50 \$\gamma\$ gallon and 20 do. heavy, upon private terms. Stock of sperm oil in the country Nov. 1, 29,000 bris. WHALE-Whale oil has been in fair demand, with sales of 5000 bels in this market, as follows: 1,145 bris Northern, in two parcels, at 55c ♥ gallon; 200 do. do., at 54c, 750 do. do. upon private terms; 1000 bris South Sea at 55c; 100 do. from same cargo, brown, at 50c; 600 do. dark, 600 do. humpback, and 600 do, in purcels, dark and inferior, upon private terms—the latter understood to be at from 40c to 45c. Stock of whale oil in the country, Nov. 1, 80,000 brls. WHALEBONE-In whalebone, the only sale is that of 1.453 lbs Ochotsk, imported by ship Black Sea, and slightly damaged by water, at auction, at 64c P h. Alla's Pony Express Cor.

LATEST DATES, received at this Office.

Ships' Mails.

For San Francisco—per sch Alert, on or about Saturday 22d. For Lanaina—per Kamehameha IV, to-day; per Kamoi, to-Fon Kanar-per Odd Fellow, about Saturday.
Fon Koxa-per Keknulushi, Friday or Saturday.
Fon Hilo-per Nettle Merrill, about Saturday.

PORT OF HONOLULU, H. I.

ARRIVALS.

ec. 10-Am brig Josephine, Stone, 2 days fm Jarvis Island, with passengers and goods from the wreck of ship Silver Star. (Omitted helt week.) 14—Am bark Yankee, Bailey, 17 days from San Francisco. 15—30 Meikeike, Wetherbee, from Kahului.
 16—Steamer Kilanen, Berrill, from windward ports, with 47 bris beef, 11 bris potables, 4 hogs, 28 bullecks, 40 sheep, 4 bags bullock's horns, 12 bundles dried beef, 2 hooses honey, 11 bags fungus. 2 cases molse,

5 bris sweet potatoes, 2 baskets and 3 trunks moise, 18-Am whish Braganza, Turner, from sea, returned or account of illness of the captain.

19—Sch Kamet, Wilbur, from Lahaina.

19—Sch Kamehameha IV., White, from Lahaina.

19—Sch Odd Fellow, Candage, from Hanalei, Koloa and

DEPARTURES.

Bec. 13-Seh Kamolwahine, Kuheana, for Nawiliwih, Koloa and from Walmen, with 2 fore guers and about 30 deck.

13—Sch Manuskawai, Marchant, for Kona. Passengers— Paul Emmert and wife.
14—Sch Liboliho, Antone, for Hilo, Hawaii. 15—Am wh bark Harvest, Charry, to cruise.
15—Am wh ship South Boston, Randolph, to cruise.
15—Sch Kamoi, Wilbur, for Lahaina. 17—Am wh ship Harrison, Wood, to cruise South. 18—Am wh ship Majestic, Chester, to cruise and ho 18-Steamer Kilanea, Berrill, for Lahaina, Makee's Land-

ing, Kona and intermediate ports. VESSELS IN PORT-DECEMBER 20.

H. B. M.'s steamer Alert, Pearse. Am bark Yankee, Bailey. Danish ship Eriton, Neilsen, destination unknown. Am bark Rhering, Gilliat, loading for New Bedford.

Am ship Siam, Rice, seen for M'Kean's Island.

Hanoverian bark Harburg, Thomsen, up for Hongkong.

Am brig Josephine, Stone.

Am Missionary brig Morning Star, Gelett, laid up.

Haw, brig Mary Ellen, Bennett, soon for Victoria. Am schooner Alert, Brooks, up for San Francisco. Haw, beig Hero, Myer,

WHALKIE Ship Arab, Grinnell Benjamin Rush, Fish Bark Planet, Dahiman, (Old'g) Brig Victoria, Danelsberg, Emily Morgan, Whiteside Greferberg, Enberg, (Rus) Wailua, Lass, Kohola, Corsen Bark Florence, Spencer Amoor, Brunstrom, (Rus) Alcha, Mamn

Am bark Oriental, -Am brig Consort, M'Lellan, will be due from Paget Sound, with of oil than the Ochotsk. Am barkt, Jenny Ford Moore, will be due from Puget Sound,

Stapenhorst. Put into Riagain for this port July 19. PASSENGERS.

Prom San Francisco-per Yankee, Dec. 14-Mr Ed Hoff-schlaeger, Mrs Severance, J Needham and wife, J Wilson, wife, 3 children and servant, Mr Long, wife and son, Mrs Smith, G Robinson, J P Hughes, W G Needham, W A Whitney, J Powers Capt Benedict, Jed Wilson, Geo Peoples, J Leroy, W Franklin, H Thompson, C Abell, F Goshen, M G Gordillo, A Henry, Steerage—Mr M Cluskey, J Winters, A Johnson, T C Wilson, Mr Lewis, Wm Matthews, Slins Aldin, S Sarang, James Brown,

and about 100 deck passengers.

MEMORANDA.

TF Back Fankee, Balley, reports-Left San Francisco Nov. 27; first part of the passage had light southerly winds and calms; latter part, light N.N.E. winds. Took the trades fresh

IMPORTS. FROM SAN FRANCISCO-PUR YANKOR, DEC. 14 Note (walnut) list. Pototore, suche, ... O Ruisins, bedes, Hupber hose, pieces, . 1 Soy, busket ... 7 Turnips, es.... 180 Whisky, bris, Martie slabs, box, Value,\$17,697 (8. Treasure, 4,000 00.

From Japan-per sch Alert, Dec. 9-1 688 boxes fish, 150 cs fish, 269 tube off, 300 smoked fish, 45 page rice, 10 rolls matting, 2 cases percelain, 50 teace toys, 3 cases and 3 boxes laquered ware, 5 cases, 8 pkgs and 6 lexes unspecified goods.

From Jacyte Island—per Josephine. Dec 12-2,460 ha old yellow metal, 31 pkgs sails, awnings. 4c., 1 ship's wheel and mooring tests, o copper jumps, 56 blocks, 19 an all chains, 5 mooring do., I Manila and I hensp hawser, I chest tea, I chain stopper, I coll old rigging, I do. spunyara, I puir brass gaugway stauchesus and man-ropes for do.—all from the wreck of Silver Star.

> THE PACIFIC Commercial Advertiser.

> > THURSDAY, DECEMBER 20.

WE present herewith our annual review of the North Pacific Whaling Fleet. Several veshave probably gone South to take their season

vessels which may be classed as follows:

The arrivals at these islands during the pressons, have been as follows:

Hawailan, German and Russian, . . 14 One singular feature of the arrivals this year is the entire absence of sperm whalers: In years gone by large numbers of sperm whalers recruited here. In fact, previous to 1848, the bulk of our arrivals were of this class. During the past year, not a single sperm whaler has

The above fleet of 132 vessels, which have arrived this fall, has brought into port, as this season's catch—2099 barrels sperm; 63,959 barrels whale oil, and 839,500 pounds bone, giving an average to each vessel (after adding the sperm and whale oil together) of 500 barrels oil and 6360 pounds bone. This shows a continued decline from last year's figures. The falling off in the number of ships in the fleet is not more marked than the rapid decrease in the oil and bone taken. This will be

Six whalers of the North Pacific Fleet have visited San Francisco, during the past fall, all of which report good catchings. If these vessels are included in the general average, it will result on the whaling business.

numbering, as near as we can learn, about eighty vessels, to be withdrawn, including two lost. Not more than thirty wessels are on the way out to replace these, so that the North Pacific Fleet for 1861, will number, in all probability less than one hundred vessels, of which not more than eighty can be depended on to recruit at these islands.

The only whalers lost are the George & Mary, Eldridge, of New London, by being stove in by the ice in the Ochotsk, and the bark Pauling, Steen, of New Bedford, which dragged ashore at Lahaina. The season has been more free from accidents during the Northern cruises, than any for several years past, and the repairs required here have not been heavy. The ship Julian, early in the season, had considerable repairs, and the ship Rapid was hove

down and recoppered. Am. bark Comet, Smith, would sail from San Francisco for Honoidiu about December 28 to 30—due here from the 12th which is that the Arctic has this year, and we

During the past season, supplies of all kinds | years, and a fine of ten dollars. with Involver, early in January. (Uncertain.)

m. brig Concordis, Calinbiry, sailed from Bremerhaven

April 16, with associated cargo to Messes. Hoffschlaeger & er than at any other port in the Pacific. The

Larceny. Prisoner plead guilty, and sentenced by

the Court to imprisonment at hard labor for three reputation of our island supplies has never been | the Court to imprisonment at hard labor for three better sustained than during this fall. In the years, and a fine of ten dollars. early part of the season, exchange held at five per cent. discount, but soon receded to par. The bills drawn by whalers have been much small-

small amount. From Windward Ports—per Kilmea, Dec 16—Professor W White, Mr E Ball, Mr Ayong, and 47 deck passengers.

For Windward—per Ellauea, Dec. 18—Mr and Mrs Weston and son, Mr and Mrs J Needham, we G Needham, one other, and son, Mr and Mrs J Needham, we G Needham, one other, and son, Mr and Mrs J Needham, we G Needham, one other, and son, Mr and Mrs J Needham, we G Needham, one other, and son, Mr and Mrs J Needham, we G Needham, one other, and son, Mr and Mrs J Needham, one other, and son, Mr and Mrs J Needham, we G Needham, one other, and son, Mr and Mrs J Needham, we G Needham, one other, and son, Mr and Mrs J Needham, we G Needham, one other, and son, Mr and Mrs J Needham, we G Needham, one other, and the entire withdrawal cations for divorce, before the Court this term—

tion of this government will operate on the future movements of the small fleet of right whalers? Some deny that we are indebted, in any measure, to the whalers for our prosperity. But no unbiassed mind, after witnessing the increased activity of our ports during their annual visits, and the stagnation in trade, and the embarrassment of the native population, during their absence, can agree with such. There seems to be no question that the changes in our civil code, which in various ways have increased

Should such result follow-and it is assuredly seen by the following data: developing-it will show the supreme folly of placing the administration of our national affairs in the hands of men who are either ignorant of the operation of the changes proposed and carried out by them, or blind to the real interests and prosperity of the Hawaiian King-

In the San Francisco Mercantile Gazette, we find the following remarks on the whaling business. We give it, not because we consider it correct or reliable in all its statements, but beour readers may see what is said of us abroad, pletand the efforts which are being made to entice

advantages of this port, as a resort for the whaling fleet of the Pacific ocean, are gradually becoming appreciated by the commanders of vessels and by owners at the Eastward. Thus far this fall, the Eliza Adams, General Williams, Massachusetts, Congress, Jeannette, and John Howland have touched here and been enabled to lay in supplies at low rates, the Japanese Ambassadors, may be of some interest to our sels, which were experted in, are still out, but to discharge and reship crews, and again proceed to their cruising grounds, without encountering the difon the New Zealand ground without stopping ness for the Sandwich Islands represented as attending a visit to this port. The Captains, one and all, Our list on the fourth page, comprises 150 after an experience of its facilities, give San Francisco the preference and announce their intention of making our harbor their permanent resort.

Other vessels are expected, and throughout the season we shall be visited by a sufficient number of ships to refute the objections that have been urged against us, and the communication of their experience ent fall season, and for the two previous sea- throughout the fleet will before long ensure to us the bulk of the business.

The prime objections that hitherto deterred whalers from coming here, have been removed. There is not now either the risk of losing crew and the mability to procure substitutes, nor are misters of vessels any more liable to be harassed by vexa-tions litigation brought by their men here than under the Hawahan flag. In the cases of the vessels that have visited us this fall, no particular effort was made to retain their crews on board. They were allowed to follow their own inclination: some of them ran away outright, others were settled with, and in either cases resh hands were obtained without difficulty. The Eliza Adams, arch Warren and Congress all shipped new crews in one day. It is obvious that the resort of a greater number of whalers will render the matter of a change of crews of less moment here than at any Hawaiian port. In nearly all instances, engageents with crews of ships bringing cargoes to this port termine with their arrival, and the increased number of scanich on the large fleet other than whalers, will facilitate dispatch, nd hands will be readily obtained.

Little, if any, annoyance is offered through litigation. Among

touched here, these vessels preferring to rerecent arrivals one or two complaints were filed, but no suits e instituted. The hands evidently throught it ill-advised to cruit at the islands located in their cruising grounds, where their principal wants are as secute before Courts that recognize the right of the master preserve discipline on board his slop, and are indisposed to ustrue justifiable severity as harsh treatment. All the obous against San Francisco have been obviated, and the rest Sandwich Islands, with the trivial exception against us in Su-Recent quotations in the Honolulu papers e Beef worth \$18; here it can be had for \$16, and a good article of California packed at \$10 @ 12. Pork can be had here at \$15 @ 16; there it costs \$20 @ 22. Bread costs at Honolulu @ 7 cents; here it is worth 3; @ 4 cents. Coffee, Beans and other articles are all to be had in this market at much cheaperates. In providing recruits we offer still greater advantages our market abounds with vegetables, obtainable in gre-d variety at a trifling cost. We have shipped this season over 2,000 sacks Potatoes to Honolulu, and they can only be furnished to lers there at the necessary enhanced cost for freight and pro One of the Island journals recently, in a lament at the dr iging prospects of business, remarked that "California, so from taking our poor potators, still poorer onions, grains a better illustrated by the following table exhibit-ing the size of the fleet and the catchings for hts at as low rates as list ian. Truly the advantages that we possess must be immense, when the very journals whose existence, in a great degree, depends upon the business arising from the resort of whalers to the Islands, are compelled to acknowledge the decime of their facilities and the superiority of ours. Every whater who has renewed his supplies of water at the Islands knows the arduous labor inflicted upon his crew in hoisting out casks, rafting them to shore and back, hoisting in and re-stowing. Here, he starts nothing: the water-boat comes alongside and fills his casks without ever calling upon the crew to turn a hand to assist. There the expense is 12 cents per blut here 15 cents-the difference a mere baratel

anyway, and when the labor is considered, the vessel is greatly In the matter of Exchange upon disbursements a heavy dis-caunt has always ruled upon the whalers' drafts at the Islands. Formerly this was much more onerons than of late; but even now, at the last quotatian of five per cent., an exemp ista in favor of this port of quite material consideration. lers' tills bring par in this market, and would command a small premium were they more generally offered. The bulk of the oil and bone, transhopped during any sen-

son at the Sandwich Islands, is taken home by vessels from here. The expense of the trip down to the Islands and the loss of time involved is necessarily charged upon the freight.

As soon as whalers make this harbor their resort—as they evidently intend to do—transhipments will be much more readily effected here and at cheaper rates than elsewhere. Lower holds can be filled with Oil so as to secure the requisite "wetting down," while our own domestic products, which are now largely shipped to the Eastward, will command a rendy freight "between decks," and insure dispatch.

Communications on business with owners, and correspond-ence with kindred and friends can be replied to in the brief space of time that the continent is now traversed by the Pony Express, and it will not be long before the telegraph will render dute intercourse with the same parties available. all the advantages that San Francisco now possesses, as a resort for the Whaling fleet, are so great as only to need the ex-periment to convince those whose interest it is to make it.

In conclusion we cannot here omit expressing the dead body of her husband." our obligations to the various shipmasters and ship chandlers, who have freely furnished us with the latest reports, and other information pertaining to whalers. Particularly, are we indebted to A. J. Cartwright, Esq., who has permitted us frequent access to his record of arrivals and departures, which we have invariably found more correct than any kept in this place. be raised from 500 barrels to 518 barrels to His records have in a great measure supplied us each vessel. At the best, however, it is a poor | with such data as in other ports are furnished by report, and must continue to have a depressing the Merchants' Exchange. To Messrs. Gilman for nick-nacks to fill empty stockings. & Co., Capt. Stephen Bailey, and C. S. Bartow, Over one-half of the fleet that has cruised Esq., of Lahaina, we have also been laid under North this season is now homeward bound, frequent obligations for information regarding

> CIRCUIT COURT .- 2nd Judicial District of the Hawaiian Islands-December Term, 1860.-Before Hon. ELISHA H. ALLEN, Chief Justice of the Supreme Court, and Hon. F. W. HUTCHINSON, Cir-

cuit Judge for the 2nd Judicial District. Civil Calendar .- S. Kawaa, vs. Kahainapule, assumpsit on book account for the recovery of the sum of \$207.31-verdict for the Plaintiff for the amount claimed. Mr. Bond, Counsel for the Plaintiff. Mr. Kauwahi, Counsel for the Defendant.

Criminal Calendar.-The King vs. Keai, Mahoe, and Elia.-The prisoners were indicted for an assault and battery and robbery, upon one Lebon Pray, a seaman, in Lahaina, on the 19th day of November last. Elia plead guilty to both the counts in the indictment and was sentenced by the Court, to imprisonment, at hard labor for two years and a fine of five dollars. Keai and Mahoe plead not The full reports of the cruises of whalers, guilty. The Jury after a short absence returned a which we have given from week to week, show | verdict of guilty against both the prisoners. They the weather in the Ochotsk to have been worse | were sentenced by the Court to three years impristhan usual, with heavier ice; while in the onment at hard labor each, and a fine of five dollars. Arctic sthe weather was this season less hois- Mr. Bond, District Attorney for the Crown. Mr.

Kauwahi, Counsel for the prisioners. The King, vs. Kimo.-Larceny in the second de-

The King, rs. Frank Smith.—Assault and Battery with a dangerous weapon. The prisoner plead not guilty. The Jury returned a verdict of guilty against the prisoner, but recommended him to the er than in any previous year, amounting, as mercy of the Court. Sentenced by the Court, to after the ceremonies come off. near as we can estimate, to between \$350,000 imprisonment at hard labor for four months, and a and \$400,000. This for a fleet of 132 vessels is a fine of five dollars. Mr. Bond, District Attorney for the Crown, Mr. Farwell for the Prisoner.

We have before referred to the rapid decrease | There was an unusually large number of appliteresting question arises here—how far the legis- | sertlen, without cause, for three successive years.

NOTES OF THE WEEK.

GOVERNMENTAL BLUNDERS .- We cannot undertake to follow up all the blunders of the government organ, which appear in it from week to week, and are the cause of remark with those who see the paper. Once in a while, it undertakes to point out errors in the Commercial, but, in so doing, only makes a fool of itself. In the last issue of the Polynesian, for instance, we read the following : " It is a singular illustration of the practical working of Demo-

the burdens on our foreign commerce, must operate against the future visits of the North Pa- Now the merest tyre in political history knows the eific whalers, and reduce their numbers to a contrary, and the editor of the Polynesian betrays suit of Manuel Vievia, also a seaman on board the week. moiety of what they now are; and it is not im- his ignorance too palpably to be overlooked. So far said ship, casting me in heavy damages. probable that like the sperm whalers, these will from this being the "first time," it has been a fre- As these decisions have now gone before the a month, have paid an admission tax of two dollars leave us for less expensive recruiting stations. quent occurrence in American politics, as will be public through the columns of the press, and those each, and if the authorities have any other taxes

minority of 182,941 votes.

1856—Buchanan was elected over Frement and Fillmore by a minority \$17,989 votes. Lincoln's election will only be another instance of the nying in general terms the allegations of the libel, same occurrence, which can be no argument against and has not availed himself of the opportunity

in its editorial columns, and owns that it was a blun- against him"-I feel it incumbent upon me to cause it has always been our rule to give both der that crept in by oversight. Yet its commercial state the reasons my evidence was so meager in the sides of a question under discussion, and that writer, with a pertinacity well illustrating the cou- one case, and why I filed no answer in the other, or

the whaling fleet thither. If the choice lies adheres to his blunder, and attempts to illustrate simply between the two places, there can be no his ignorance by saying that bills drawn for \$200 question that Honolulu will still be the favorite command only \$100, which, we are informed, is not the case, but the facts were correctly given in our SAN FRANCISCO, AS A RESORT FOR WHALERS.—The last issue. Oh sapient editors.

-Again, referring to the suits against Capt. Soule, we stated that another suit had been instituted against him, based on the same evidence. Instead of criminal, it should have read civil. Such a suit was then in progress, and its decision resulting in \$1500 damages, was published in the Polynesian

that this oil was coming into use for lubricating was going on, to be present as a spectator, was sent purposes, and that it had been found very superior. for by friends, and told to absent myself, and was In a New York exchange paper we find the following, even told by my attorney, "that he did not want which shows that public attention is being called to it abroad. If the cultivation of the bean and man- had waiting for three days to be taken in the first ufacture of the oil can be commenced here and case, was not called for, and my attorney said he did profitably carried on, we shall not regret having not wish any evidence in contradiction, and in the called attention to it :

"Some practice, and a good deal of reasoning from the U. S. Consul against the court's jurisdiction, and analogy, has proved that the very best oil for all applications to leather is the common castor oil, identical with that with which careful mothers sometimes value is that it has less affinity for water than any other oil, and less tendency to harden or thicken the leather, as neatsfoot and other animal oils do. Leather treat, N. B., on a general whaling cruise, with Geo. W. Wilthat has been frequently saturated with any kind of tong, 1st officer, Lewis Lasure, Frenchman, 21 officer, Chas. Perry, a Portuguese, 3d officer, Oliver Williams, an Hawaiian, animal fat, and exposed to water, as boots and harness are, instead of remaining pliable, becomes hard and dry, losing its elasticity, and finally becoming brittle and worthless; but that which is oiled with the extract of the Palma Christa bean, and in a less degree with flaxseed oil, appears to retain its fibrous toughness a great deal longer. The oil is naturally viscid, containing some glutinous matter, which serves a better purpose than animal oil to exclude the water, a better purpose than animal oil to exclude the water, which, when absorbed in leather, is the real cause of its non-elasticity. Castor oil, if bought by the galits non-elasticity. Castor oil, if bought by the gallon, is not expensive. It is manufactured and sold at fifty cents a gallon, and the beans are grown as a field crop at fifty cents a bushel. It is well worth the Starbuck. On the 3d of August, in Shantar Bay, when my while to give caster oil a trial as a labricator of vessel was at anchor, he succeeded in taking the ship from me while to give castor oil a trial as a lubricator of

DAN RICE'S CIRCUS .- By the bark Yankee, this celebrated company of equestrian performers arrived. embracing some of the most renowned actors in the world. The Circus embraces a number of well-train- the Islands. there is the celebrated elephant ALBERT, which is the first animal of the kind which has ever been brought to these islands. He is the survivor of the two which were taken to California a year ago, and have since been exhibiting there. His mate, Victoria, died in that State. He is said to be well trained, and his performances truly wonderful. No person should fail of seeing this noble animal, the first and perhaps the world dence scarce contains" another which "in the exhibition of world deprayity surpasses it." last chance we shall have of seeing him.

Connected with the Circus is also the renowned giant, Mons. Goshen, who is 74 feet high, and weighs 450 pounds. He alone is a living wonder and a sight worth visiting. The greatest curiosity has been exhibited among the natives as well as foreigners to see the giant and the elephant, and we doubt not the attractions offered will draw crowded houses.

FROM OREGON.-In September last a report reached Fort Dallas, that a party of emigrants, 45 in number, from the Eastern States, had been cut off by the Indians in the vicinity of Snake River. Capt. Dent was immediately dispatched with a small command to ascertain the truth of the report. By a private letter received per the Yankee, we learn that " Capt. Dent succeeded in finding twelve of the party, women and children, alive, but in a state of perfect nudity, having been stripped by the Indians, and left to perish. For the last ten days they had subsisted upon the dead bodies of their friends who had been murdered. A Mrs. Chase had fed upon

SANTA CLAUS AND HAPPY NEW YEAR -Mr. D. N. Flitner, has opened at his sales rooms, invoices of New Goods for the approaching Holidays, pretty enough to tempt the most economical of papas and mamas to invest for the stockings of their little ones, or the most considerate of young beaux, to purchase a gage d'amour, in honor of les beaux yeux of some fair demoiselle of uppertendom. In the candy line, J. Cattenach, on Nunanu st., can hardly be surpassed. His store is well worth a visit by those looking out

PERSONAL.-We are pleased to notice that our former townsman, Mr. T. S. SEYMOUR, has become connected, as proprietor, with the Hudson Times, a weekly paper printed in Hudson, Wisconsin. We wish him every success in his new enterprise, and need hardly assure him what he may have learned, that the road to fame and fortune through printers' ink and types is "a hard road to travel."

THE NEXT MAIL .- Our next mail from San Francisco, (that of Nov. 11,) will probably arrive about the first of January, by either the clipper ship Osborn Howes, under charter for guane, or the Southern Cross, en route for Hong Kong; both of which vessels were expected to leave San Francisco from the 15th to 20th of December.

THANKS .- We are under obligations to J. W. Sullivan, Esq., and Messrs. M'Ruer & Merrill, of Sau Francisco, and Mr. Claxton, of the Yankee, for government press, for the use of types on which the BREAKFAST, DINNER AND TEASETS, latest California papers. Also, to the Director of the decisions of Capt. Soule's suits are printed on our UNFOUNDED .- On inquiry, we learn, that the re-

port current for the past few days on the street, of the removal of the Assistant Surveyor of the Port for allowing the Elephant of Messrs. Wilson & Co's Circus to bring his trunk ashore without a baggage permit, is totally without foundation.

RAIN .- The wind hauled around to the southward the Court, to imprisonment at hard labor for two on Monday, and early on Tuesday morning the rain began to descend in terrents, and has continued ince. FOR THE EAST. - The schooner Alert, will probably

get away on Saturday, and take a mail. She will To those wishing to procure ENGLISH or be followed by the Fanker, about the first of Janu-ENGINE CHRISTENING .- Mechanic Engine Company hold a levee on Christmas day at 12 o'clock. What's to happen there on the occasion, we can better tell

SHORTEST DAYS .- To-day and to-morrow, are the shortest days of the year. CHILDREN IN SAN FRANCISCO. - It is reported that When

there are lifteen thousand four hundred children un- cost will be less. der 16 years of age, in that city, of whom nine thousand eight hundred and ninery were born in California

Reply of Capt. Sowle to the Admiralty Court Decision.

Hoxolulu, December 17th, 1860. Editor of the Pacific Commercial Advertiser: Sin:-The issue of the Polynesian newspaper of the 15th instant, contained the decision of Chief Justice Allen of the Supreme Court of the Kingdom, overruling the Protest of the United States Consulagainst the jurisdiction of the courts of these Islands,

1844-Polk was elected over Clay and Birney by a minority that " a small amount of testimony had been pre- ment before I get ready to leave, which I intend doof 23,908 votes.

1848—Taylor was elected over Cass and Van Buren by a seented on behalf of the respondent, but very meager ing in the course of the ensuing month. So much for and of little weight, while the respondent himself has been content with filing his written answer, dehis right to office. These data will show how igno- freely offered him to come upon the stand, and conrant the government corps are when they speak. tradict or explain, if he could, the testimony of all - Again, in referring to our criticisms on its su- of the witnesses produced against him," and further, preme ignorance in stating that exchange in Japan in another, that "the respondent filed no answer was "one hundred per cent. discount," it apologizes in the cause, but suffered a default to be entered offered to come upon the stand to contradict or explain the testimony of the witnesses produced against me, and in conclusion to give a brief account of incidents in the season's voyage, during which Messrs Wilfong, Lewis, Smith, and Perry, to whom I attribute all the difficulties which have arisen on board of my ship and also at this port, were under my command. It was my firm intention when I first arrived here, to have commenced proceedings before the U. S. Consul, against these men as mutineers, but I was overruled by the advice of my friends. The reasons why the testimony offered by me was so sparse, and that I did not appear upon the stand, were that I did not recognize the jurisdiction of the court, and was advised by my friends to Caston Oil .- Last week we referred to the fact keep away, and when led by curiosity to know what me there, that I had better go." Evidence that I last case, my attorney merely entered the protest of

The following statement of incidents, with my nauseate their children. One of the reasons of its journal before me to refreshen my memory, I give as that of my late cruise :

left the Court Room.

I left Honolulu, November 4, 1859, in the whale ship Mon. 4th officer, (now on board the Montreal in the same capacity,) Charles Smith, a Spaniard, as 5th officer,—and a crew of 39 men. From the period of my departure from these Islands, up to the time he left my ship, I was disappointed in my first officer, not only as a whaleman, but in every other capacity desirable in one who is second in command. On th the ship at Guam in the mouth of January, while I was absent on shore, the crew drove him below and took possession of the vessel. At Nangasaki, in April, when I left the ship, he told those of my crew who wished, that they could leave her. His on the morning of the 18th. I have every reason to believe be endeavored to run the ship on shore, and for the truth of this statement I would refer to Capt. Jernegan of the ship Lettand had possession of her 12 hours. He was enabled to obtain the majority of the crew in this high-handed outrage, they being like himself, heavily in debt to the ship. Capt. Long, o the ship Isaac Howland, came on board, and is duced him to liberate me. He then left my ship as soon as possible an went on board the Isaac Howland-from her to the Levi Star

uck, and from her to the Ohio, in which vessel he came ed horses, three ponies and two mules. Besides these ulars, but I think the general outlines I have given, will suff ntly prove to every unprejudiced person at all acquainte th a scafaring life, the motives which must have prompte e fabrication of such horrible and unjust charges as the ought against me, in order to extendate the mutinous con-ct of my officers and crew. Conscious of my own innocence and relying upon the moral support of friends, who have stoo by me unwaveringly from the first I trust yet to show that have been the victim of a conspiracy, which, to use the la NATHANIEL W. Sowle,

Late master ship Montreal, of New Bedford.

PUBLIC NOTICE.-The Public of Honolulu espectfully and cordially invited by "Mechanic Engine Co. No. 2," to partake of a LUNCH at their House on the occasio of Houseing their New Machine on the 25th of this month. Time, from 12 to 2 o'clock. Per Order:

Honolulu, Dec. 13, 1860. 239-1t Sec'y M. E. Co. No. 2. HOOKS BE ON HAND !—A Special
MEETING of Protection Hook and Ladder Co.
No. I, will be held at the

EVENING, Dec. 24, at 7 o'clock. At which all that are Hooks, are requested to attend. Per Order

FRANZ BINDT. Secretary P. H. & L. Co. No. 1. ATTENTION ONES!—Members of
Honoldia Engine Company No. 1, are hereby
notified to appear at their Rooms on Tuesday.

Dec. 25th, at 9½ A. M., in Uniform. Per Order of the Foreman A. W. CARTER, Sec'y.

Fire Proof and Water Proof Roofing. THE BEST, CHEAPEST AND MOST DUR-PATENT ROOFING! NEW ENGLAND ROOFING AND MANU-FACTURING COMPANY.

This Roofing is now in use in all parts of the United and Canada, and has a reputation second to none. It is now in use on most of the public buildings on these Islands I on several Sugar Plantations, and gives entire satisfaction A small lot of COMPOSITION and FELT for Patent Roofing, shortly expected from Boston, DUDLEY C. BATES, Agent for Hawaiian Islands

J. M. SMITH & Co. FOR SALE ${f NEW\ DRUGS!}$ Ex "YANKEE."

BROWN'S BRONCHIAL TROCHES, IN able for Colds, Coughs and Baim of Thousand Flowers, Hooper's Cachons, Extra Tubing for Enema Pumps, Tooth Brushes.

For sale also, large variety of Patent Medicines, FAMILY DRUG STORE, Corner Fort and Hotel sto

ON SALE AT LOW PRICES.

Assorted Pitchers, Assorted Cups and Saucers

various patterns, &c., &c., &c. -ALSO-Assorted plated Castors, cut glass Tumblers, Electro plated Spaons, German silver Spoons, Ivory handled knives, plated Forks, Plated Mustard and Salt Spoons, &c., &c.

Corner Queen and Naumnu sts.

THE BOOK TRADE :

NOTICE AMERICAN BOOKS. OWING TO THE INCREASED EXPENSE

If ordered by parties mishing from.
An order will be forwarded to Boston once a month, for such will be procured either by Express via Panama, or by ships via Cape Horn. Single copies of books ordered to come by Express will cost laid down in Honolulu about fifty per cent. over the price; those coming by ships, about thirty per cent, e a large number of books are ordered for our pursua, the The time required to get books by Express, will be from 4 to 5 months; and by ship, from 6 to 8 months

Honoluin, Der. 1800. 229-3m

(Correspondence of the Pac. Com. Advertiser.)

Taxes on Strangers; on the Dead as well as Mr. Editor :- An acquaintance of the writer's arrived here on the 26th of July last, on a visit to a friend; was charged three dollars for the privilege of landing; finds his friend sick; goes to work by the month to support himself and his sick friend; and last Monday was sued for a tax of five dollars, which in the suits brought against me by one Manuel | he had to pay, together with two dollars costs. Per-Enos, a seamen lately on board the American whale haps, if he had been unable to raise the money he ship Montreal, under my command, and also a de- would now be working it out in the chain gang ! cision of Judge Robertson of the same Court in that | Previous to being sued, he had engaged his passage suit, and another decision of the same judge in the back to Oregon on the brig Mary Ellen, to sail next

Now I have been here with my family a little over of Judge Robertson, containing statements in one, against me, I hope they will present them for paywhat I know in relation to taxing the living.

Four years ago I was a visitor to these islands, and had the miserrane to lose a son, I paid the "Cemetery Association," of erragent, ten distors for a lot on which to bury him. This I hought reasonable enough, until on repairing to the ground, w weeks later, I found the size of the lot to be just two feet to is, the ground on either side had been compactly filled will raves like a "row of pins in a paper." However as the matter could not then be helped, I put up a heavy, well painted and lettered plank, to mark the lot until such time as I could make arrangements for a more permanent monument, and left for the states. On my return last fall, after an absence of less than four ars, not a vestige remained to show where the grave was loca-Now it strikes me that this "Cemetery Association," (which

Christian Lands is generally considered to belong to the class charmable institutions,) must be immensely rich, or else have sade but use of their funds, for about the first paragraph in the ave no more unoccupied ground at their disposal." If the isposed of all their tota of two feet by six at ten dollars can bey must indeed have grown immensely rich, by a tax on t In all seriousness, it does appear to me that there should be merous fax of ten dollars. I would not myself mind buying a lew acres of ground, (say at the first and south of Punchbow).

Hill, a more suitable location than the present,) if it could be get at a fair valuation for that purpose, if I did not fear it would be sold for fairs as seen as I should leave.

Respectfully, &c.,

G. E. G. [There is too much truth, we fear, in the strictures of our correspondent. It is by such petty charges on strangers as that referred to in the commencement of the letter, that we merit the ill-will of those who come here in many instances simply as visitors. To get all we can appears to be rule applied, without reflecting what results may follow our action.]

REGULAR DISPATCH LINE FOR SAN FRANCISCO. THE A 1 CLIPPER BARK

Yankee, BAILEY, Master, will sail for the above Port on or about the 1st of January, 1861. For freight or passage, apply to D. C. WATERMAN & CO., Agents



THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE ROYAL HAWAHAN AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY. will be held next WEDNESDAY EVENING, 26th Dec., at elect officers for the ensuing year, etc Attendance is requested. Per Order

CHRISTMAS NEW YEARS' HOLIDAYS!!

JUST RECEIVED BY LATE ARRIVALS Watches and Jewelry, of the latest and most fashion-Silver Ware of all descriptions, and designs the most recherche, suitable for presents either for ladies or genilemen Bohemian and other cut-glass ornaments for the Boudon Ormulu and Tortoise Shell scent Bottles and Port

Pearl and Silver dessert and fruit Knives. Pearl, Sandal Wood, Papier Mache, and Parita Percha V Hair ornaments, a splendid ass't. Fancy Cigar Stands and Cases, of the most unique BIJOUTERIE and VERTU

D. N. FLITNER. * BOOTS SHOES BROGANS

UST RECEIVED BY EXPRESS VIA ISTH-BOOTS AND SHOES! Lanest styles for Ladies, Gents and Children

RUBBERS, ALL SIZES. pairs Misses' RUBBER BOOTS; small lot of Bunkert's Quilted Soled Boots, for wet weather. Tr. Boots and Shoes made and repaired at short notice by

10d gds, 4-4 Unbl. Cotton 119 yds, 34 meh Unbi. Cotton, 600 square yds, material suitable for nettings—beds 3 ft. by 6 ft. 3. 50 Blankets for do., 450 yds 54 inch Unbl. Cotton, 50 Ewers and Basins,

Good durable articles are wanted, but not expensive. Those desiring to formish the above, will please send sample the articles, with the name and prices attached, to Messrs You Holt & Heuck's store, Fort street, before 3 P. M. of Mon day next, the 24th inst. By order of the Ex. Committee, S. N. CASTLE, Chairman Honolule, Dec. 19, 1860.

Rice! Rice! Rice! 1 CHINA RICE, 50 lb. BAGS-Cheese! Cheese! Cheese!

CALIFORNIA CREAM CHEESE English Cheese, ist small tins.

Fruit! Fruit! Fruit!

SUPERIOR MALAGA RAISINS-In boxes S. SAVIDGE. Spices! Spices! Spices! ALL KINDS SPICES

WALNUTS, FILLERTS, JORDAN ALM-S. SAVIDGE. CITRON, LEMON AND ORANGE PEEL. S. SAVEDGE.

For sale by S. FAVIDGE.

Teas! Teas! Teas! CUPER. OOLONG, 7, 10 & 16 lb. BOXES, Common Tea, in half chests. S. SAVIDGE. TAPIOCA, in TINS-

LL KINDS OF PRESERVED FRUITS, S. SAVIDGE. Magazines for November. ARPER'S MAGAZINES FOR NOV.

And a large collection of inte-American, and H. M. WHITNEY. Received by Francisco, 208 dt. B. M. WHITNEY.

A Long Passage -The ship Black Sea, of New York, arrived at this port yesterday, having left Honolalu Dec. 31st, 1859, but got aground in coming out of the harbor. She sailed again same day; but sprung a leak and put into Sydney, N. S. W., in March last, where she was discharged and repaired, Ten tons of the whalebone on board was sold at ane. tion for \$16,000, to pay the expenses. She sailed again from Sydney, June 16th, and put into Pernambuco Sept. 12th for water and provisions, sailing the next day for this port. She has on board quite a number of passengers, including Mrs. H. M. Whit. ney and children, wife of the publisher of the Honolulu Commercial Advertiser, and his mother who has been a missionary at Kauai S. L., for 41 years, and belongs in Saybrook, Ct.-N. B. Er.

GRAND ELEPHANT EXHIBITION



DAN RICE'S Great Show & Circus

This Mammoth Combination will commence exhibiting in this city. THIS EVENING. Thursday, Dec. 20.

The highly trained Ponies

CANDIMURRAH. A large and efficient Troupe of the

In their Wonderful, Incomparable Gymnastic, Acrobatic and

Equestrian Feats.

J. WILSON & Co., Proprietors. Diaries for 1861.

CONFECTIONERY.

RECEIVED EVERY TRIP PER FRAN-Regan's celebrated Candies and Confections Also-English Walnuts and soft shelled Almonds.
For sale by J. CATTANACH, For sale by 238-6m Nuuanu st., one door from corner of King st.

EX "TRITON!" FROM LIVERPOOL. and SCOTCH CONFECTIONERY, a small lot put up in ocy papers, very suitable for Christmas and New Year's prests. Also—A choice lot of Spanish LICORICE, a pure article r coughs and colds. For sale by J. CATTANACH,

for coughs and colds. For sale by J. CATTANACH, 238-6m Nuuann st., one door from corner of King st. FOR SALE BY THE UNDERSIGNED:

Also—A choice lot of fancy German Pipes.

J. CATTANACH,

208-6m Nuuanu st., one door from corner of King st. Just Received ex "TRITON " FROM LIVERPOOL.

Nuuanu st., one door from corner of King st.

W. A. ALDRICH.

Honey in the Comb!

BOSTON PILOT BREAD, IN BARRELS, W. A. ALDRICH.

Solar Lamps, Globes and Shades, Rifle Gunpawder. MASON'S PASTE BLACKING, small, medium

nool Sistes, 10 x 14, 8 x 12,

rd-framed School Slates, 10 x 14, 8 x Cotton and Worsted Saddle Girths, Japanned Roller Buckles, KNIVES AND FORKS,

For sale by W. A. ALDRICH. FRESH CROCERIES

Ground black pepper, Whole do do, nce meats. Cream tartat, Fresh currants, in tins, Tins butter crackers. Tins syster crackers Tins sugar crackers Tins som crackers, Fresh oysters, Time wine crackers. Fresh lobsters, French capers. Green corn.

Fresh raisins Tims water crackers Crushed and loaf sugar,

N. B.—Fresh Island butter and ground coffee always on hab-197-18 II McINTYRE.

QUEEN'S HOSPITAL! TOWARDS FURNISHING THE HOSPI-DALM LEAF HATS, FOR SALE BY 228-2m W. A. ALDRICH. CASKS SHEET ZINC. BUNDLES NORWAY SHAPES, 1x1,1x1

CIRTH WEBB,

FURE-PROOF PAINT.

AA., quarts, quarts, Ten Spoons, Nurse Lamps, Gun Flints, Shoe Brushes, Jews' Harps, Tinned Spors, 4t., by LDRICH

Summer savory.

Or as Soon as the Weather Permits. The Wonderful Performing Elephant ALBERT!" Dan Rice's Comic Wonders, the Mules PETE & BARNEY

CINDERELLA, SHELLBARK, and Best Performers in the World!

A LARGE COLLECTION OF POCKET DIARIES and ALMANACS for 1861, received by the first packet direct from New York. For sale by 238-24 H. M. WHITNEY.

Confectionery! Confectionery!!

JUST RECEIVED CHOICE ASSORTMENT OF ENGLISH

FUNE HAVANA CIGARS, Manila Curars, No. 1, No. 2, No. 3, Likewise, Superior Natural Leaf Chewing and Smoking Tobacco.

A FINE ASSORTMENT OF PLAIN AND Fancy French Clay Pipes. For sale by J. GATTANACH,

TUST RECEIVED FROM KONA, HA-W. A. A. A. DRICH, 238-2m Premises formerly occupied by the Hudson Bay Co I EWIS SUPERIOR WHITE LEAD AND

ON SALE, BY RECENT ARRIVALS, THE

FURNITURE ! ON HAND AND FOR SALE BY THE UNDERSIGNED: SUPERIOR MAHOGANY HAIR SEAT SOFAS, Superior enameled leather covered settees, Mahogany whatnots, center tables, new and neat style, hair seat parlor chairs, hair seat easy chairs, Patent style BEDSTEADS. Office chairs. 238-2m Premises formerly occupied by the Hudson Bay Co. HAWAIIAN HONEY!